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TO: Commissioners and Alternates

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SUBJECT: Staff Report and Recommendation on 2017 and 2018 Annual Reports
(For Commission consideration on February 7, 2019)

Recommendation

The staff recommends that the Commission approve the attached text of BCDC's annual reports to the Governor and the Legislature for 2017 and 2018.

Staff Report

Section 66661 of the McAteer-Petris Act requires the Commission to submit an annual report to the Governor and the Legislature summarizing the activities of the Commission during the calendar year. To meet this mandate, from 1970 until 2001 the Commission submitted comprehensive and lengthy annual reports. For example, the Commission's 2001 report was 29 pages long. It took about three months of work to collect the needed information and prepare these highly detailed reports. Unfortunately, the Commission has no staff dedicated exclusively to public education and outreach activities, such as preparing annual reports. Therefore, since 2002 the Commission has produced far shorter, summary reports that fully comply with the requirements of the law and provides the Governor, the Legislature and the public with a satisfactory overview of the Commission's activities. Due to staff shortages and the press of critical work, the staff did not finalize a 2017 Annual Report in 2018, so staff is now presenting drafts for both the 2017 and 2018 Annual Reports. While the draft 2017 Annual Report is complete, the consultant is still working on the infographics for the 2018 Annual Report, and staff expects to have those completed and in the Commissioner's packets on February 7th.

Therefore, the staff recommends that the Commission adopt the attached draft text for the two reports, authorize the staff to make any minor editorial revisions needed for accuracy, clarity, and style, and direct the staff to submit the 2017 and 2018 Annual Reports to the Governor, the Legislature and the public.